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#### The Best Advice Is From the Independent Adviser.

If the philosophic spirit doesn't ani mate the whole of this politico-psychological epistie, it is to be remembered in confession and avoidance that politics sizzles while philosophy is cold.

"TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: As puzzled by the alacrity and emphasis with MAN never lost a murder case of imnewspapers here that opposed portance. WHITMAN in the late campaign are now the first to offer him advice, aye, to inform him, inferentially, what policies he should adopt. Such a phenomenon implies that his opponents of two months ag are now best qualified to shape the attitude of the Governor-elect.

have closed, and that the proper sources whence to obtain inspiration for our guidance are those that showed most bitterness and enmity a month or so ago? him to defeat?

"Another question also is involved: Is there no limit to the 'gall' of the great journalistic organs in New York?

"Your pungent, edifying comment or such problems might go a great way to enlighten an aspiring citizen whose name would bring no weight to such discussions, not being in the public eye, yet who desires to understand if that may be, the of politics in the United States. NEW YORK, January 1. T. W. B."

and duty to give its opinions on ques- dable foundered, so quickly that only of his "Ordered to Portugal" tions of public policy. It is not estopped the men stationed in the superstructure from offering "advice" to officials whose had a chance to save themselves. candidacy it opposed. It cannot lose German submarine manœuvres call interest, or the right to express that for the use of four boats against each interest, in public affairs because the object ship, and "the whole system of conduct of those affairs is in the hands torpedo training in the German navy of others than those whom it would aims at perfection of assaults delivered have selected. An independent journal under cover of darkness or of corre like Tuy Syx is always entirely free spondingly favorable weather condito advocate what it believes to be the tions." The rougher the weather the Jacoss, who died the other day, was soundest course; free to praise or blame greater is the danger of the enemy. It a notable figure in amusements. To Headline. without any regard to the political was in a heavy sea that the Formidable him was due the existence of the complexion of blamed or praised.

ticians our catechist is too shrewd and practically invisible in a half light. old a bird to be gulled by any romantic flapdoodle. There have been illustrious sunk the battleship, and it is not the American politicians who in office have policy of the German Admiralty to adbeen too faithful to their friends, but mit that its undersea boats are operatthe disease is not very catching.

## The Bright Side of the War.

When Bishop INGRAM of London makes "the bright side" of war the will be a haunting fear, however, that theme of a New Year sermon he puts the War Office under an obligation. but his treatment of the subject would

The good Bishop dilates on "the new spirit of the nation." It excites his greatest concern; it is the realization There seems now no possibility of admiration, and he returns thanks for that transporting troops across the achievement which will put them on a it. True, Englishmen of all classes are enlisting for the war, but England's necessity is great and unless the Allies triumph her soil will be invaded.

No one with an understanding of the Englishman's love of free institutions aroused could have doubted what the response to Lord KITCHENER's appeal for recruits would be. The new spirit was a spirit that smouldered; it flamed up when the winds of danger blew noon it. So it will always be with a free people. The decadence of a long peace is more imaginary than real, fully laid mines, the German subma-War, the ordinary war, may have its rines have left their base and inflicted compensations, but when a war claims a serious loss upon the British patrol. the flower of manhood the price paid this time in the carefully guarded Chan for it may be too high. The weak and nel. The enemy had reached Dover incompetent will survive, but in any before, and had even sunk two meremergency they have little of "the new chant ships, the Malachite and Primo, spirit." Paraguay has never recovered off Havre and almost opposite Portsfrom her five years war with Brazil, mouth; but nothing on the scale of de-Uruguay and Argentina, which ended stroying a battleship of the patrol was in 1870 with wasted Paraguay a land of accomplished. mourning women

Bishop INGRAM sees the "heavy ploughboy, the despair of the country parson," transformed into Private SMITH of the King's Own with a V. C. on his manly chest. It is more likely that the V. C. was won by a steady going, silent fellow who was not the parson's despair. The dull eyed, plod-Atng clerk is also transfigured by the

spirit." War is a cursed thing, says Bishop INGRAM; yet it may "redeem the world." The great war will cost the make as many more cripples, and ruin industries in Europe for an incalcula-Entered at the Post Office at New York as ble number of years, while its cost in money will be scores of billions. Of what he means by the redemption of the world the good man probably has but a vague idea. In political terms

it would be hard to define. No, it requires a strong and partial imagination to see "the bright side" of the war in Europe, Asia and Africa. The mind that builds up a theory of .......... 1 28 invigorated manhood for any belligersa ent country ignores the irremediable DAILY AND SUNDAY, Per Month ... 1 90, loss of so many of its most chivalrous

### The Record Left by Mr. Whitman.

There can be no question that CHARLES S. WHITMAN leaves behind hattan, New York. President and Treasurer.
William C. Reick, 170 Nassau street; VicePresident, Edward P. Mitchell, 170 Nassau
street; Secretary, C. E. Luxton, 170 Nassau
Although his showlest feats were in earlier parts of his service, last year's London office, Effingham House, I Arundel figures, just published, prove that there was no relaxation in his efforts or reduction in his successes. The disposal of 33,926 cases in a year, with 15,900 convictions, represents an extraordi nary amount of work and it, suggests If our friends who favor us with manuscripts that a very moderate policy was pursued under which punishment of real guilt and not a record of verdicts was the object aimed at.

The homicide cases are particularly impressive. Sixty convictions within the year, including six for first degree and fifteen for second degree murder, should have a very discouraging effect on evildoers inspired to kill. The total of 282 homicide convictions during Mr. WHITMAN'S five years in office represents a warfare against this form of on earnest student, seeking to get at crime deserving of the highest praise. philosophy behind events, I have been It may fairly be said that Mr. Whit-

Governor WHITMAN'S SUCCESSOR, Mr. CHARLES A. PERKINS, has had the ad-District Attorney's office. He has had under close observation the methods by pilgrim? 'Twere to consider too curiwhich the great record has been made 'Are we, then, to conclude that friends From him also the people of New York should be cast to the winds when polls will expect accomplishment. The untiring prosecution of real criminals, the skilful and moderate presentation of cases so that juries may be convinced Is this the meaning of events that to and the higher courts not placed in the succeed in politics a man must turn his position of having to undo the work. back upon his friends and shape his con- constitute the Whitman agencies of duct after an election so as to please the success. By sticking to them Mr. Permen who did what they could to bring kins may also earn the gratitude of the public.

#### The Sinking of the Formidable in the Channel.

According to survivors of the Formidable who were picked up in a cutter by a Torbay trawler the battleship was torpedoed. This means, assuming undercurrents or, so to speak, psychology, the report to be true, that the German submarine flotilla is operating in the Channel, for it was in that body of It is part of a newspaper's business water about daybreak that the Formi-

In regard to friendship among poli- the periscope is a shifting object and which offered amusements at these

One submarine could, of course, have ing in flotillas in any waters. The British Admiralty would be glad to believe, to make the best of a bad bustness, that the Formidable was destroyed by a single daring submarine. There several of the type were abroad in the Channel to France is now an undertaking of great danger.

England can no longer afford to lose battleships; still less can she afford to lose trained officers and men: least of are being ferried across the Channel in transports. It would be an unwarrantable reflection upon the British navy to suppose that it has not been using every available cruiser, destroyer, tor pedo boat and submarine to prevent invasion of the Channel by the enemy. In spite of all precautions and of the utmost vigilance, in spite, too, of skil-

sion from the disaster to the Formidable that the German tactics are now to be methodically directed against British warships in Channel waters with the purpose of "holding up" troop transportation and ultimately frustrating attempts to land the full strength of reenforcements in France. The risk will have to be taken by the British authorities, however; such is the necesprelate. Heroes of peace as well as sity of a decisive campaign in Flanders. heroes of war are usually made of dif. The naval phase of the war is at presferent stuff. And we have a picture of ent of secondary importance from the 'rows upon rows of women" at work British point of view. For a fleet acas nurses and knitters; splendid, de tion the first line of battle ships are. voted women they are, but the war is although not exposed, always prepared. people in one generation, particularly you

work must go on, though one patrolling warship after another be sacrificed. The Admiralty judgment will be that world hundreds of thousands of lives, disasters like that which befell the Formidable are not likely to happen often enough to weaken the navy materially; Formidable and what it may portend.

#### Twin Poets Laureate.

Right sweet it is to bear, even amid the coarse belchings of cannon, the by an Administration headed by a disviolin of words. Drooping letters dear to THE SUN; one of them for a generation on its list.

bis diligent services on Democratic committees, was named not after the he farming book, or his great-grandson, the truth makes an impression. the prig of Utica, but the mythical "Dionysius Cato," whose "Distichs" in bexameter was a "best seller" of the Middle Ages. Thus was the Hou. DIONYSIUS OF DENNIS CATO SELLS con- rant guests on New Year's morning. blessed Mr. Wilson on Christmas more honest finder and bears ample testithan prove

"Open armed the Red Man welcomed Pale face pilgrim to his shore, Greetings glad as his I send you And good will forevermore.

CATO'S Christmas verse is "tender. nusical and terse." Is there an allegory in its pocket? Does it hint that the Democratic young men are murmuring ously to consider so. Let us rather reverently \* repeat from English "Speaker" the first fine careless rapture of Dionysius C. Sells:

"Full is my heart of old romance Of sachem and of werowance, Of moonlit hunt and forest dance Maiden and squaw;

see red gamblers lose and win Blanket and dedal moccasin. I hear RED CLOUD and BULL Moose chin,

I smell bear chops and whiskey raw." Colonel Tom BIRCH of the New Jersey Light Artillery, whose noblest metembassy, was not quite in his best form in his improving card:

"When duty and ambition take us far from friends and home They're ne'er forgotten, no matter where

I roam. Too didactic, too formal. Discrimit nating critics prefer the rude heartiness

> "A darn good perch For old Tom BIRCH

reconciled to its end.

## The Higher Cost of Amusement.

A quarter of a century ago H. R. received her death blow. In such a sea so-called "ten, twenty, thirty" circuits,

Channel to startle England with a New be said to have reduced this cost. Mov-Year disaster. It is not the sinking of ing pictures are less expensive than one battleship, or even the loss of six any plays ever were, but they will alor seven hundred officers and men, that ways remain an inferior form of diwill give the naval authorities the version in the minds of the public. level with the spoken drama.

If Mr. JACOBS had learned that the New York theatres now charge two dollars and a half for seats on holidays and on Saturdays he would have all can she afford to lose troops that realized that the public as it exists in the metropolis is indifferent to the cost of its amusements. To those capable of indulging in this form of entertainment it is quality that counts, In spite of the temporary vogue of the "ten, twenty, thirty" system, amusements have followed the present direction of economics and grown continually

Ex-President TAFT, testifying before a Senate committee yesterday about the future of the Philippines, was at last in a position, as he said, to say just what he thought and believed. It would take more than one generation, probably two, he declared, to train the And strange the Christian altar seems Filipinos for self-government, and to be It rises pallid as our dreams capable of profiting by the instruction they must become an English speaking people. The ex-President quoted from the President with telling effect when Upon he read from one of Mr. Wilson's books that self-government was "not a mere form of institutions, but a form of character, a growing of a people to The countless broken bodies mock political maturity." Applying this; truth Mr. TAFT said :

"We cannot present the Filipino people On Father, Son and Holy Ghost with a character. It must be acquired. One way to acquire it is through hard knocks, as the Anglo-Saxon race acquired it. . . You cannot make over a Lord, must Thy pity be forspent? abhorrent to them and they mourn bit- It is imperative that troops shall be cannot when that is a generation of

terly for the martyrs to "the new trained and transported to France. The adults, and a vast majority of that gen- THE PRESIDENT'S "NOON HOUR." eration is wofully ignorant."

When Mr. TAFT remarked to the committee, "You can't educate all of the people, you haven't got the money." he is reported that Mr. Wilson will deliver was not to be taken literally. What he an address to the people of the United meant was that education would be a States at Indianapolis on Jackson's and that when troops are to be carried process not only involving a great our birthday, Friday, January 8, and "will across the Channel an extra strong con- lay but extending over many years, speak out boldly in defence of his Adacross the Channel an extra strong convoy can be furnished to deal with the enemy's submarines. Nevertheless, we fancy that the First Sea Lord must be profoundly disturbed by the loss of the Philippines; he even told Mr. Mo-profoundly disturbed by the loss of the Philippines; he even told Mr. Mo-profoundly disturbed by the loss of the Philippines; he even told Mr. Mo-profoundly disturbed by the loss of the Philippines; he even told Mr. Mo-profoundly disturbed by the loss of the Philippines; he even told Mr. Mo-profoundly disturbed by the loss of the Philippines; he even told Mr. Mo-profoundly disturbed by the loss of the Philippines; he even told Mr. Mo-profoundly disturbed by the loss of the Philippines; he even told Mr. Mo-profoundly disturbed by the loss of the Philippines; he even told Mr. Mo-profoundly disturbed by the loss of the Philippines; he even told Mr. Mo-profoundly disturbed by the loss of the Philippines; he even told Mr. Mo-profoundly disturbed by the loss of the Philippines; he even told Mr. Mo-profoundly disturbed by the loss of the Philippines; he even told Mr. Mo-profoundly disturbed by the loss of the Philippines; he even told Mr. Mo-profoundly disturbed by the loss of the Philippines; he even told Mr. Mo-profoundly disturbed by the loss of the Philippines; he even told Mr. Mo-profoundly disturbed by the loss of the Philippines; he even told Mr. Mo-profoundly disturbed by the loss of the Philippines; he even told Mr. Mo-profoundly disturbed by the loss of the Philippines; he even told Mr. Mo-profoundly disturbed by the loss of the Philippines; he even told Mr. Mo-profoundly disturbed by the loss of the Philippines; he even told Mr. Mo-profoundly disturbed by the loss of the Philippines; he even told Mr. Mo-profoundly disturbed by the loss of the Philippines are the many missapprehensions and will seek to clear up of course, excepted. Indeed, we do not health the two chiefs are the loss of the missapprehensions that have disturbed to admit that the two chiefs are the many missapprehensions a KINLEY that it had been a mistake. If Mr. Tart were not an honorable and will be of Mr. Wilson's foreign policy. conscientious man he would be inclined to indorse the Jones bill in order to see the Filipinos turned away to shift for the battle of New Orleans, which, if

tinguished virtuoso on the discursive conditions on the spot, was so impressed who visited the archipelage to study with the American administration that President Wilson's Administration. Per- Hunt does record that "aft he abandoned his theory of independant haps it is just as well that both he and the men who sat around the plucked up a heart when a Sun des he abandoned his theory of indepenpoor people have ever known." He The elder verseformeder first: The Filipino in ten thousand" wanted to a great many questions can be asked plentiful. We are told, for example, by for Sells of Iowa and Texas.

The Spanish mestizo class not one of the filipino in ten thousand" wanted to a great many questions can be asked plentiful. We are told, for example, by Mr. Wilson which he might like to Mr. Gaillard Hunt that Mr. Madison "was a filipino in ten thousand" wanted to a great many questions can be asked plentiful. the Spanish mestizo class "not one Hon. Caro Sells of Iowa and Texas. see the Americans evacuate the islands. Mr. Wilson which he might like to see the Americans evacuate the islands. In the might like to see the Americans evacuate the islands. That is the judgment of every unbiassed answer and perhaps some others to make the might like to the might like the might like to the might like the might l American who has visited the Philippines. But it is only when a man of censorious old Roman hunks who wrote Mr. TAFT's distinction speaks out that

> It is hard to see any evidence of hard times in the indifference regarding their valuables shown by hotel and restaumony to the perfection of discipline in houses of entertainment here. There is probably no other city in the world where so much carelessness regarding valuables would be shown, but it is quite certain that there is nowhere else that carelessness could be indulged in with so small a percentage of actual

The brave old woman who supported vantage of working with bim in the at the Chief? Are tomahawks being her bedridden hysband until he died and District Attorney's office. He has had boned for use against the pale face who now at seventy-eight years refuses charity and asks only work to maintain herself for the rest of her days has something of the heroic fire in her makeup. She should be an example and an inspiration to those who are willing to lie down and lament idly be cause the times are trying.

VILLA's friends are again urging h to accept the provisional Presidency of the Convention Government, and the place would be offered him in a minute if he would consent. Villa has held out against taking the Presidency, saying despatch.

It has come at last, the pressure upon aphor or hyperbole was the raising, on the reluctant VILLA to save Mexico by stationery, of the Lisbon legation to an foregoing the pleasures of obscurity and accepting the emoluments of the provisional Presidency, with only the sacred Constitution between him and a four years term as tenant of the Nationa Palace. But there is a little difficulty in the way: the suppression and extinction of his enemies.

Colonel ARTHUR LEE, now at the front But the gluddest of hands to these troops are doing the worst of service to our merchants have been doing that the cause of the Allies, was the British thing?

year, but with \$71,386,156.11 income

One-half the Democratic party to-d would vote for T. R. for President they ever get the chance.

The only reason T. R. was not elected last time was because the Roosevelt Democrats couldn't be made to understand that the Progressive party was any thing but the mugwump end of the Re-publican party and they refused to give aid and comfort to any such crowd. T. R. run as a liberal and protec-

tionist and his election is certain. W. F. Clark. New York, December 29.

#### The Manhattan Philosopher Hears Vaude ville.

To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: "Constan Reader" in the morning Sun implies that vaudoville singers sing. This is all rot. They do not sing, they recite, and in cracked, raspy, sharp voices at that, singing on the vaudeville stage is as ex-tinct as the dodo. Squealing is not singing NEW YORK, January 2.

A Prize Contest Proposed. To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: Why not do something for the gayety of the nations. now that the Board of Education is dealing fairly by the teacher-mothers, by having a Mr. Taft Upon Philippine Self- upon the most popular teacher-mother hus-Government. A FRIEND OF THE FAMILY.

## A Hymn of War.

O. God. how incoherent, swift, And hot with blood and falt with tears This wildest of all warring years,

No table built of wood or stones On which the muted lamb was tied; pon this ark of human bones The Lamb of God is crucified. The bursting bomb, the battle shock.

The ravished hearts that slowly bleed

Thy body, broken for our need. Thou att the captain of the host.

To light and lead the fearful flame. visit on the innocent Thy wrath, in which no man can O Prince of Peace, forgive, forgive! ADA FOSTER MURRAY. Eleven Questions for His Consideration

Suggested by Stuyvesant Fish. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: It

January 8 is Jackson's birthday; further than this, that it is the anniversary of the coarse beichings of cannon, the feet of the immortal Muses pound the typewriter. The boast "Lawk, sirs, we keeps a poet" might fittingly be made by an Administration headed by a distribution by certain points of similarity be to be distributed in that city, and I understand is to be observed there locally as a part of the local properties. The boast "Lawk, sirs, we have a poet" might fitting be described by an Administration headed by a distribution by certain points of similarity be themselves before their education in the battle of New Orleans, which, if the battle of New Orleans, which is the battle of New Orleans, which is the battle of New Orleans, which is the battle of Ne States and Great Britain.

Thank heaven, we are now, or shall be on March 4, 1915, half way through things cannot be amended.

which the people at large would be glad to have him answer. With a view to few such questions:

1. Why did Mr. Wilson appoint Mr. Bryan? 2. Why does he retain that poor man when the latter can so easily make

more money "Chautauquaing"? 3. Why did he send the most powerfut on our Mexican neighbors, killing some hundreds of them, and why has he the assurance to say that those were not 'acts of war"

Huerta a salute of twenty-one guns. and having sent a military expedition to enforce the demand, did he withdraw he same from Vera Cruz without having received the salute and without having in the meanwhile protected American citizens or American property in Mexico?

So respectable a body as the Chamber of Commerce of the City of New York, on the advice of counsel learned in the law, stated at so early a date as August 12, 1914, that "Great Britain has already issued her proclamation of contraband, dated August 5, 1914, which folows explicitly the Declaration of London except in one respect, namely: that t transfers flying machines from conditional to absolute contraband. Declaration of London also provides that the following may not be declared contraband of war: (1) Raw cotton, Why did Mr. Wilson wait until the latthat he was piedged not to accept office and he did not wish to break his word with his people of the north.—Juares cotton was not contraband? was not contraband?

6. What has he to say in reply to the charge made by O. B. Colquitt, Demo-Governor of Texas, in his letter published in the New York Times of December 27, 1914, that "England but as a thought, whether really a stopped American shipments until the English spinners had bought their supply [of cotton] at 61/2 cents a pound"?

7. Why did he allow his supervacan-

eously inept Secretary of State to put into his recent protest to Great Britain concerning the detention of American cargoes the utterly unnecessary moral in France, who tells his countrymen injunction to our merchants to avoid that German resistance is not weaken- hiding copper ingots in bales of cotton, ing, and that those who belittle the which the English have already availed resolution and endurance of the German of to prove that Mr. Wilson admits that

or to the present Administration New York, January 2. A.

of Congress, immigrate to this country? ditions would be, conceivably, an occa-where was he naturalized and when did he take the oath of allegiance? Did he take it with the German back hand?

The you consider he is corrected.

The frightful catastrophe of the present

NEW YORK, January 2.

Mr. Vollmer was never naturalized and never took the oath of allegiance (with regard to citizenship). The sufficient reason for his failure so to do is stated in his biography in the "Good is stated in feed of the state of the sta son for his failure so to do is stated in his biography in the "Congressional Di-rectory." He was born into American citizenship at Davenport. Iowa, forty-

Courtship at New Plymouth.

Priscilla Mullins asked John Alden why h didn't speak for himself. "Because I am afraid I wouldn't hance to afterward," he replied frankly.

#### Luther. Luther, the world has need of thee

Thy country needs thee at this hour To scourge its world embattled power and stir to flame democracy. Aye, for the fervor of thy words

couldst thou but speak as thou of old Didst, with thy stern admonishings. The dawn of far diviner things Might come: the people might beheld The fall of arrogance, the fall Of that which holds fair freedom thrail

Lather, the world has need of thee Thy country needs thy voice to show What pain, what wantenness, Hate works, and greed and jealousy.
Thy voice!—for then might topple down Sceptre and prince and king and crown! CHINTON SCOLLAND.

FROM MADISON TO WILSON. Reflections by One Who Has Had the Fo

licity of Gazing Upon the Latter. From the North American Review at the beginning of its hundredth year. Deginning of its hundredth year.
Physically Mr. Madison was the smallest
President these United States have ever
had, but intellectually, possibly because
he was the first we knew, we still consuggestion is made that the defence be of Mr. Wilson's foreign policy. no disagreeable misgiving with re to the future) will expire exactly

hundred years later, on March 3, 1917.

The coincidence is rendered doubly striking to our somewhat far reaching editor, who recently had the folicity of gazing upon him, is anything but "a solemn, sad eyed man"; nor especially in conversation, even though Mr. "after dinner, if patch brought the proud news that not one but two gleemen are supported by a Government kinder than has been a Government kinder than has been tice, safety and happiness that these faulty, and whether in the latter half in the adjoining room might hear loud company," Mr. Sofleiss wrote, "are alroars of laughter from the President's lowed to have meters 2 per cent, fast by guests, who were enjoying the Fresident's law. But they more often have meters poor people have ever known." He came to the conclusion that outside of as Assistant adays.

armed with all the culture of his century," derived primarily from his study and associations at Princeton; that he "was a man of versatile scholarship and bringing out others, may I suggest a kept up his knowledge of the classical languages"; that he "was learned in theology, having at one time studied with the thought of becoming a clergyman, and had read the French and English philosophers and sceptics"; that he "studied law, but this science, political economy, and social science all belonged to his erudition in political science, in which it is not an exaggeration to say that he had exhausted the record of human exaggeration to say that he had exhausted the record of human exaggeration to say that he had exhausted the record of human exaggeration to say that he had exhausted the record of human exaggeration to say that he had exhausted the record of human exaggeration to say that he had exhausted the record of human exaggeration to say that he had exhausted the record of human exaggeration to say that he had exhausted the record of human exaggeration to say that he had exhausted the record of human exaggeration to say that he had exhausted the record of human exaggeration to say that he had exhausted the record of human exaggeration to say that he had exhausted the record of human exaggeration to say that he had exhausted the record of human exhauste Dioxystus or Dennis Care Setts con-rant guests on New Year's morning.

3. Why did he send the most powerful secrated to his calling. If, following One hotel alone reports tens of thou-high example, he has shed one of his names he has not wholly given up to high example, he has shed one of his cash left upon the tables or sprinkled over the floor. The number of recoverpolitics what was meant for mankind, as the lovely lines with which he lovely lines with which we prelience and reasoning; that "his record of numan exceptable with which we prelience and reasoning; that "his record of numan exceptable with which we prelience and reasoning; that "his learning with sobriety, and his politic was a guarantee that he would preserve the balance of power marines) and inflict quite serious losses in the feet are can be dealer they are can be dealer his learning with sobriety, and his politi-cal principles were practical"; that he "was well aware that in political prac-tice the statesman must deal with human nature, human weaknesses and human 4. Why, having demanded of General passions, and that his function is to dipassions, and that his function is to direct or follow, not to force, public inclinations"; that he "would have insisted upon the validity of general principles in politics, and would have denied that it was not an object of government to preserve political institutions if those institutions were in his view essential to the tricky in cases of complaint by tenants preservation of principles"; that "in constructive statesmanship no other American had a record equal to his"; that he "hated war"; that "the people held him Trade and other organizations to agitate. in respect, but he was hardly more than a name to them": that "his character panies have was assalled less than that of any of his and not by was assailed less than that of any of the municipalities, and not by the municipalities.

"About two months ago I took up this sailable"; and, finally, that he "had his memies, but he ininself hated go one"—
a simple but comprehensive declaration vividly paralleled by President Vilson when, on December 15, 1914, he said to Weights and Measures has jurisdiction of the Union in which the Superintendent of the Union in which the Superintendent of weights and Measures has jurisdiction of the Union in which the Superintendent of the University Commission:

> were not present, and Lamb. stuttered, said, "I hate that fellow." know, stuttered. His friend said. said. "Charles, I didn't know you." Lamb said. "I don't; I can't hate a fellow 1 know."

I think that is a very profound human act. You cannot hate a man you know. fact. Of the accuracy of this diagnosis of human proclivities we, being inanimate, but as a thought, whether really a human fact or not, assuredly it is both happy and reassuring.

## WORLD FEDERATION.

Professor Fagnani of the Union Theolog teal Seminary on the End of War. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: Peace

and disarmament are byproducts. They will come as the result of the federation of the political units of the world, not before and not otherwise.

attache with the American army in Cuba. Colonel Lee is a gentleman of excellent judgment and well known independence of opinion.

8. What has become of the reiterated perior to them. When two nations enterior to them. The property of the perior to them. When two nations enterior to them. The property of the perior to them. The property of the perior to them. The property of the perior to them. The Customs receipts fall off—Total for one article of general consumption?

10. Have the expenses of the Federal Well, it is a pretty penny to drop in year, but with \$71,386,156,11 income. their sovereignty by becoming members of the Federated States of the World.

This will come about when a sufficient number of citizens in the different nations members of 1,784.

at lower figures than any previous theatre manager had been able to attain.

This ploneer naturally benefited by the
result of his originality.

But it is doubtful if his reform had
the least permanent effect on the theatre. Amusements are at least as
costly as they ever were. There is but
men this ordinary resources it is hard
to see why Uncle Sam should "go broke"
in the coming year if mad extravagance
of expenditures can be avoided.

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in to-day's sun I would remind you that
many a truthful word is spoken in jest.

One-half the Democracy of the Federal Government in the Federal Govern the issuance of a call to a world consti-tutional convention. Out of this in due course will come a world constitution, a world president, legislature, capital, supreme court, land and sea police, offi-cial international language, international money, postage stamps, transportation To the Editor of The Sun—Sir: Will you call international language, international shed your bright light on a subject that puzzles me?

Clai international language, international money, postage stamps, transportation and whatever else it is deemed desirable to internationalize.

when did Mr. Vollmer of Iowa, member of Congress, immigrate to this country? ditions would be, conceivably, an occa-

It with the German back hand?

Do you consider he is carrying out the President's policy of neutrality or is he to be considered as the representative of the German town he emigrated from, and it so.

The frightful catastrophe of the Present war was necessary to shock the world into consciousness of the permanent dandered in individualistic nationalism. This has had its day, has achieved does he draw pay for his valuable services its glories, but something bigger, safer.

New York, January 2

> for limiting armaments and all other organizations whose object is the world's betterment, transform themselves into associations for the promotion of world federation, and may the United States of America have the glory of being the first nation to propose this plan to an expectation, and the plan to an expectation of the promotion of the plan to an expectation of the propose the plan to an expectation of the plan to a propose the pl nation to propose this plan to an expec-

To the Editor of the Sun-Sir: The auto industry is a good thing because it teaches women to turn to the right. Are Slumky. New York, January 2.

This is the gist of an address on internationalism I made at the Twilight Club, December 29. I am delighted to find substantially the same programme advocated by Mr. Darwis P. Kingsley in the papers by Mr. Darwis P. Kingsley in the papers. NEW YORK, January 1.

## National Dimensions.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: Quot ing from Lord Northcliffe's interview in yesterday's Sun: You are to be careful lest the tiny Japa-nese nation attack you in the Pacific.

Ye gods and little fishes! What on earth is Lord Northcliffe's view regard-ing the Boers? Were they also tiny? E. J. BUTLER. NEWARK, N. J., January 2.

Stumping Him.

Wilson begins his stump tour January When President in office goes Grim problems surely bump him. But if he's made of sterner stuff

There's really naught to stump him His party strives to jump him tour to speechify,

And thus contrive to stump him

# URGES CITY CONTROL OF ALL LIGHT METERS

Commissioner Hartigan Thinks Consumers Should Have Appeal to "People's Bureau."

### QUOTES EXPERT'S LETTER

Commissioner of Weights and Measure Joseph Hartigan is considering the ject matter of a letter written by Christian Sofieiss, a consulting engine of 2358 Jamaica avenue, Richmond II in which he suggests that gas and elecmeters should be brought under the Judiction of the Mayor's Bureau of Weigh and Measures in order that the pul might be protected from "fast meters.

"The gas company and the electric light company," Mr. Sofleiss wrote, "are that are very much faster, and the only right a person has is to appeal to a public service commission and they wi upon the payment of 50 cents for a gas meter or \$1.50 for an electric meter, send an inspector to test the same. These spections are not always made bona fl as I could cite numerous instance should so elect, as some of employed by the companies good enough to give me this informa

confidence.
"I am also stating that whenever

"Now my contention is that if the grocer or other merchant is fined for harging for something that sciling the electric light and gas com-paries should also be fined in the same manner. It seems to me that if the Bureau of Weights and Measures has all weights and measures in its classification gas and electric light meters should also

panies have been dealt with by the State and not by the municipalities.

the University Commission:

There is a charming story told about Charles Lamb. The conversation in his little circle turned upon some men who charging for gas and electricity and inshifty to gas and electricity.

oility to get redress.
"If a person has reason to believe that his gas or electric light bill is not fair and just he should be in a position to make a complaint to a bureau like this and have a competent inspector pass on the meter. If the bureau had the sary jurisdiction it would help to develop it into what we are trying to make it. 'people's bureau.'

## STORK BEATS UNDERTAKER.

Records Show 1914 Healthlest Year in City's History.

summary of the health statistics for 1914, issued by Health Commissioner Goldwater yesterday, declares that "the stork was never before so busy and the undertaker never so idle in this city as

"According to the Health Department's when two individuals begin to fight figures," the report continues, "the year during 1914, marking an increase of 5,513 babies over the year preceding. The marriages reported totalled 53,052

Education, considers that "the most note-worthy feature of the decreased mortality was the splendid record in infant mortality

Out of every 1,000 infants born 95 died. giving the lowest infant death ra has been registered in the city. infant mortality figures for 1913 revealed 102 deaths in each 1,000 births.
The deaths of infants from congenital causes for 1914 numbered 4,516. Before the completion of the first year of life. 13,312 children died, and 19,518 under the age of 5 years.

A large falling off was noted in the deaths due to the following causes: Typhoid fever, measles, scarlet fever, all forms of acute respiratory diseases and diarrheat disorders under 5 years of age The death rate from accidents declined somewhat, whereas that from suicides rose considerably, 915 deaths in this way having been reported during the way having been reported during the year. In all 4,982 persons met violent

deaths. There were 16,804 fatalities reported Among tuberculosis victims an menting of the absolute figures shown, but a reduction in the re-figures. There were 10,286 death figures. There were 10,288 deaths reported from all forms of this disease, as contrasted with 10,031 in 1913. This was calculated to be a percentage of 1.84 per 1.000 for the past year, as against 1.87 for the prior period.

There were 41,235 deaths of males recorded, as against 33,568 deaths of females.

## EX-MINISTER LEADS REBELS.

Col. Escobar Reported at Head of Paraguayan Revolt.

Buenos Ayres, Jan. 2.—Col. Escobal who resigned recently as Minister of War in the Paraguayan Cabinet, is the leader of the revolution which has broken out in Paraguay, according to despatches received the paraguay. ceived here. He quit his post, he explains, because the President of the republic. Dr. Eduardo Scherer, insisted on comp in the army on account of the Euro-The reported imprisonment of D

Scherer is confirmed by passenger the Mexico, which arrived at Formess from Asuncion. He was confined in the artillery barracks. Several combats have occurred between the rebels and the 100 lice. Regular ways of communication lice. Regular ways of communication with Paraguay are disrupted.